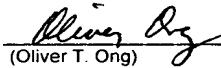




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### **AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on Page 12 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on Page 13 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following Page 16 of this paper.